

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)

NEUSS)

Serial Number: 09/806,758)

International App. PCT/EP00/04658)

For: RADIALLY EXPANDABLE)
VESSEL SUPPORT)

Attention:
PCT OFFICE

Examiner:
Byran Tung

Honorable Assistant Commissioner
for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

LETTER

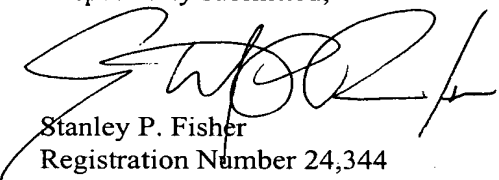
Sir:

The below-identified communications are submitted in the above-captioned application or proceeding:

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| () | Request for Early Publication Statement | (X) Renewed Petition to Correct Inventorship |
| () | Request for Priority | () Information Disclosure Statement |
| () | Response to Missing Parts with executed declaration | () Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a) |
| | | (X) Check for \$130.00 |

- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication, including fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and 1.17 or credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account Number 08-1480**. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

Respectfully submitted,


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RENEWED PETITION TO CORRECT INVENTORSHIP UNDER 37 CFR §1.497(D)

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for the acceptance of the above-captioned application by the submission of the attached assignment so as to enter the formerly submitted declaration and the statement from the added inventor, Michael ORLOWSKI to correct the error in inventorship. No additional petition is required.

Submitted herewith is the assignment signed by the original owner, Mr. Malte Neuss, to the assignee EuroCor GmbH so as to establish EuroCor GmbH's ownership of the invention and add Mr. Orłowski as the additional inventor.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees necessary or to refund any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 08-1480 for furnishing this Petition.

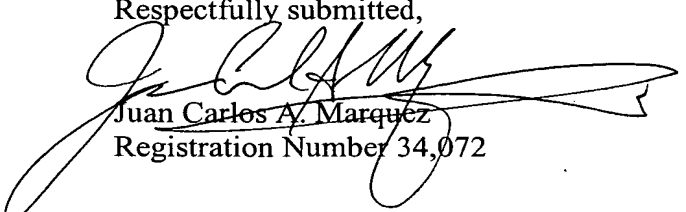
It is therefore respectfully requested that the attached documents be accepted, that an Official Filing Receipt be issued for this application and that the application be forwarded to the appropriate examining group.

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Matth Neuss, whose post office addresses appear below (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNOR), have invented certain new and useful improvements in a(n) DIAMANT EXHAUSTION SYSTEM (hereinafter referred to as THIS INVENTION) for which an application for United States Letters Patent was filed on April 12, 2001, Application Number 09/806,759

WHEREAS, Steve Ott GmbH, whose post office address is Bonner Talweg 61, 53113 Bonn, Germany (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the same in the United States and throughout the world;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, ASSIGNOR, by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto said ASSIGNEE, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and application throughout the United States of America, including any and all United States Letters Patent granted on any division, continuation, continuation-in-part and renewal of said application; and the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention throughout the world, including the right to apply for patents and inventor certificates in respect thereof and to claim priority pursuant to rights accorded ASSIGNEE under the terms of the Paris International Convention and all other available international conventions and treaties; and the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all patents, patents of addition, utility models, patents of importation, revalidation patents and inventor certificates which may be granted throughout the world in respect of said invention.

ALSO, ASSIGNEE hereby agrees to execute any documents that legally may be required in connection with the filing, prosecution and maintenance of said application or any other patent application(s) or inventor certificate(s) in the United States and in foreign countries for said invention, including additional documents that may be required to affirm the rights of ASSIGNEE in and to said invention, all without further consideration. ASSIGNEE also agrees, without further consideration and at ASSIGNEE's expense, to identify and communicate to ASSIGNEE at ASSIGNEE's request documents and information concerning the invention that are within ASSIGNEE's possession or control, and to provide further assurances and testimony on behalf of ASSIGNEE that lawfully may be required of ASSIGNEE in respect of the prosecution, maintenance and defense of any patent application or patent encompassed within the terms of this instrument. ASSIGNEE's obligations under this instrument shall extend to ASSIGNEE's heirs, executors, administrators and other legal representatives.

ASSIGNEE hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any and all United States Letters Patent referred to above to ASSIGNEE of the entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for ASSIGNEE's sole use and behoove; and for the use and behoove of ASSIGNEE's legal representatives and successors, to the full end of the term for which such Letters Patent may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by ASSIGNEE had this assignment and sale not been made.

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X Dr. Matthe Neuss
Signature
X 11. Jan. 2002
Date